



JUNE 22, 2021

Proceedings of the Special Town Meeting held on June 22, 2021. Pursuant to the Foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the Town of Ashburnham met at the Oakmont Regional High School auditorium on June 22, 2021, at 6:30 P.m. Moderator Keith Glenny presided at the meeting.

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**ARTICLE**

**1. TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FREE CASH – SNOW AND ICE**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$115,000 to the Snow and Ice Account (#0010-423-5221-0000), or at in relation thereto:

**MOTION MADE BY:** -- Leo Janssen II

**SECONDED BY:** -- Ron Putnam

**MOTION:** I move that the town transfers from Free Cash the sum of \$115,000 to Snow and Ice, or act in relation thereto:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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**EXPLANATION:** This transfer will cover the snow and ice deficit for Fiscal 2021. There is enough money in free cash to cover this obligation.

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

Vote passed “Unanimous”

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**VOTE**

☐ Unanimous   ☐ Majority Voice   ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice   ☐ Count   \_\_\_\_\_ Yays   \_\_\_\_\_ Nays

**ARTICLE**

**2. TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FREE CASH – MATCHING GRANT ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 to the Matching Grant Account, or act in relation thereto:

**MOTION MADE BY:** -- Rosemarie Meissner

**SECONDED BY:** -- Ron Putnam

**MOTION:** I move that the town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 to the Matching Grant Account, or act in relation thereto:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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**EXPLANATION:** The request is to cover the matching funds for grant awards. There are many grants that require matching funds as part of the requirement and by making this transfer would identify the funding source for such match. There is enough money in certified free cash to take care of this obligation.

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

Vote passed ‘Unanimous’

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**VOTE**

☐ Unanimous   ☐ Majority Voice   ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice   ☐ Count   \_\_\_\_\_ Yays   \_\_\_\_\_ Nays

**ARTICLE**

**3. TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FREE CASH – TOWN PUBLIC FACILITIES BUILDING**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$100,000 to the Capital Account – Town Public Works Building, for purposes of repairing or replacing a load bearing beam in the highway barn and related expenses, including but not limited to leasing space or temporary structures, or at in relation thereto:

**MOTION MADE BY:** -- Bill Johnson

**SECONDED BY:** -- Ron Putnam

**MOTION:** I move that the town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$100,000 to the Town Public Works Building Account, for purposes of repairing or replacing a load bearing beam in the highway barn and related expenses including but not limited to leasing space or temporary structures.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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**EXPLANATION:** The public works building needs to resolve a problem with the main support beam. By making this transfer it will allow for the best solution to the problem to be used. The solution could possibly be to lease space, repair support beam, or add a temporary structure just to name a few. There is enough money in certified free cash to take care of this obligation.

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

Vote passed “Unanimous”

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<input type="checkbox"/> Unanimous	<input type="checkbox"/> Majority Voice	<input type="checkbox"/> 2/3 Majority Voice	<input type="checkbox"/> VOTE	<input type="checkbox"/> Count	_____ Yays	_____ Nays
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**ARTICLE**

**4. RESCIND LOAN ORDER**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the balance remaining (\$607,000) on the loan authorized at Special Town Meeting of October 29, 2013, Article 5, for certain water system upgrades and maintenance as recommended by the town's engineer including but not limited to designing, engineering and installing of water mains on South Street, Maple Avenue Westminster Road, Williams Road and Holden Streets, or act in relation thereto.

**MOTION MADE BY:** -- Rosemarie Meissner

**SECONDED BY:** -- Ron Putnam

**MOTION:** I move that the town vote to rescind the balance remaining (\$607,000) on the loan authorized at Special Town Meeting of October 29, 2013, Article 5, for certain water system upgrades and maintenance as recommended by the town's engineer including but not limited to designing, engineering and installing of water mains on South Street, Maple Avenue Westminster Road, Williams Road and Holden Streets, or act in relation thereto.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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**EXPLANATION:** The request to rescind the balance of \$607,000 on the original loan of \$2,025,000 which was authorized October 29, 2013, Article 5, and is completed at a cost to the town of \$1,418,000. By clearing this it will help with the town's bond rating.

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

Vote passed 'Unanimous'

☐ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count \_\_\_\_\_ Yays \_\_\_\_\_ Nays

**ARTICLE**

**5. RESCIND LOAN ORDER**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the balance remaining (\$172,144) on the loan authorized at Special Town Meeting of November 17, 2010, Article 18, for costs associated with the design and construction of the J.R. Briggs Elementary School.

**MOTION MADE BY:** -- Bill Johnson

**SECONDED BY:** -- Ron Putnam

**MOTION:** I move that the town vote to rescind the balance remaining (\$172,144) on the loan authorized at the Special Town Meeting of the Special Town Meeting of November 17, 2010, Article 18, for costs associated with the design and construction of the J.R. Briggs Elementary School,

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: <b>Yes</b>	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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**EXPLANATION:** The request to rescind the balance of \$172,144 on the original loan of \$29,661,507 which was authorized November 17, 2010, Article 18, and is completed at a cost to the town of \$29,489,363. By clearing this it will help with the town's bond rating.

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

Vote passed "Unanimous"

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 P.M.

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**VOTE**

☐ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count \_\_\_\_\_ Yays \_\_\_\_\_ Nays